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SUBJECT: GHANA PRESIDENT LEADS FIGHT AGAINST NARCOTICS
TRAFFICKING

Classified By: Poloff Raymond Stephens for reasons 1.4 (b) and (d)

1. (C) SUMMARY: President John Evans Atta Mills has made private statements backed with public actions about his intention to reduce Ghana's c
2. (U) One highly visible step taken by the President early in his administration to show that no one is above the law when it comes to smuggl
3. (C) President Mills took a significant step toward controlling the proliferation of drugs in his country by supporting the creation of a US
4. (C) Within the past two weeks, Narcotics Control Board (NACOB) officials have arrested four couriers transiting Accra's international airpc
5. (C) The President told the Ambassador that he knows elements of his government are already compromised and that officials at the airport ti
6. (C) The NACOB is not the only agency working to eliminate narcotics trafficking in Ghana. The Ghana Immigration Service has been extremely
7. (SBU) Last month, a container in the port of Tema marked as chewing gum raised the suspicion of Ghana Ports Authority, Customs, Excise, and
8. (U) President Mills has stated that he is resolute in stopping people from using Ghana as a narcotics transit corridor and will vigorously